

REMARKS

Applicants have considered the May 17, 2006 Office Action, and the amendments above together with the comments that follow are presented in a bona fide effort to address all issues raised in that Action and thereby place this case in condition for allowance. Claims 1-4, 6-13 and 15-29 were pending in this application. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1-4, 6-13 and 15-26.

Claims 27-29 were withdrawn from consideration pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(b). By way of this amendment, claims 27-29 have been canceled. Applicant therefore respectfully requests an early and favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application. If there are any outstanding issues which might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to call Applicant's representative at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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